

CITY OF DUPONT'S WEEKLY BITS & BYTES

Friday, January 26, 2024

Parks and Recreation



Park Appreciation Day!

Saturday, April 27

Please join our Park Commission as we spruce up our parks as a community. Volunteers are asked to bring their own tools, rakes, shovels, gloves, etc.

Pre-registration is required.

https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events



Gentle Yoga Classes

Saturdays, 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

March 2 - May 4, 2024

Gentle yoga is designed for those new to yoga or those who like a slow-paced practice that incorporates traditional postures and breath techniques. This 60-minute practice is focused on alignment, strength, balance, and flexibility, but in a very gentle way with the use of props and modifications. We will move gradually in and out of each posture until finding a holding position. This gentle movement protects and nurtures the joints, muscles, and connective tissue.

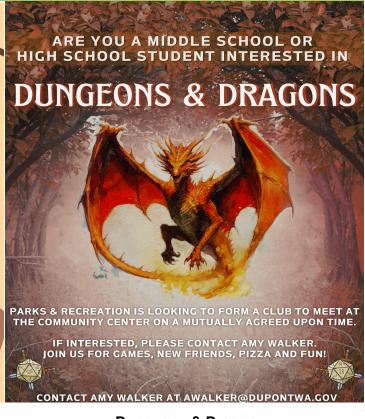
https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes



Certified Clinical Yoga Therapist and Integrative Health Coach

Parks and Recreation (The Park Commission will be meeting at 6:00 pm on Jan. 29 and Feb. 5, 2024)





Knitting & Crocheting

Are you interested in knitting and crocheting? Or maybe wanting to share your skills with some beginners? DuPont Parks & Recreation is looking to start a knitting and crocheting group! If you are interested in joining this cozy of knitters, please reach out to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov.

Dungeons & Dragons

Are you looking to meet other local Dungeons & Dragons players for adventures and fun!? DuPont Parks & Recreation has been getting some requests to start a D&D group in DuPont and we are here for it! Explore fantastic worlds, clash with dark monsters, spin lore and commit heroic feats while playing the greatest RPG of all time! If interested, please reach out to Amy Walker at awalker@dupontwa.gov

Youth Baseball

Youth baseball registration for the 2024 season is now open! There is an option for all ages ranging 4 - 15 years old, boys and girls. Register today to secure your spot, as early bird registration ends **January 31st.**Parks & Recreation is forever grateful to our friends at Patriots Athletic League who run a superb youth baseball and softball program for our community. Check out our website for enrollment and more information! "Play Hard, Play Right, Have Fun!"

https://www.dupontwa.gov/549/Youth-Sports

Nature & People Photography Classes

Whether you want to capture birds in flight or a beautiful scene in one of Washington's parks, your ticket to stellar images is knowing how to use your digital camera and understanding visual composition. Parks & Recreation is proud to offer a fantastic opportunity to learn the photography of people and nature this winter.

Classes will be taught by professional photographers Kate Lynch and Lynsey Strader. Next classes will take place on February 10. This would make a fantastic gift for the holidays! Registration information can be found here:

https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes



Adopt a Senior at Patriot's Landing

Spread the love this year by sending a candy gram to a resident at Patriot's Landing. \$5 per candy gram!

Our goal is to be able to deliver a candy gram to every resident. Purchase one today!

https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events



Senior Lunch & Movie - February 6

The best deal in town! Grab a friend and join DuPont Parks & Recreation for lunch and a movie. After meeting at DuPont City Hall we caravan to the agreed upon lunch spot to follow with your movie of choice. \$10 includes lunch and a movie ticket. Transportation not provided

https://www.dupontwa.gov/545/Adults-Seniors







Mother's Day Market

Snack, sip, shop and celebrate motherhood from **10:00 AM - 3:00 PM on May 4th**, at our Mother's Day Market!

DuPont Parks & Recreation is delighted to announce our very first Mother's Day Market! We will be celebrating the Mothers in our lives with local businesses and vendors, fresh flowers, food trucks, performances from local artists, delicious treats, and much more! If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact Emma at ewiegand@dupontwa.gov.

https://www.dupontwa.gov/707/Mothers-Day-Market

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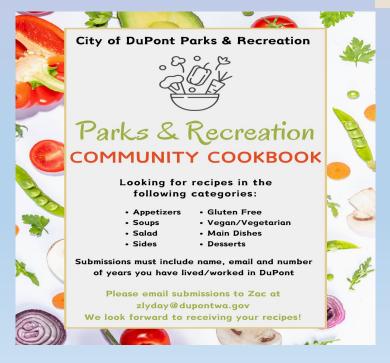


DuPont's 1St Annual Pickleball Tournament!

Parks & Recreation is feeling the love that this community has for pickleball, the fastest growing sport in Washington state and we would like to invite all levels to participate in a community tournament at 23 Kitchens in Lacey. Registration information will be available on February 1st, but we want you to save the date if you would like to play! Al levels are welcome, incusing beginners.

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March 17, 2024



Bunny Breakfast 2024

Hop to it and get your tickets for the 2024 Annual Bunny Breakfast on **Saturday, March 30th** at The Home Course. Tickets sell fast! Have some laughs, a yummy breakfast buffet and one on one time with the Easter Bunny himself.

Space is extremely limited, don't delay in purchasing your tickets!

https://www.dupontwa.gov/195/Events



Parks & Recreation Community Cookbook

Please help Parks & Recreation gather up some lovin' from the oven for a community cookbook to be sold at the 2024 Farmers Market. All proceeds from the cookbook will help support our summer Farmers Market.

We know we have some fabulous cooks out there and we cannot wait to hear from you. We kindly ask that all recipes are submitted no later than

Friday, March 8th!

We thank you in advance for your continued support.

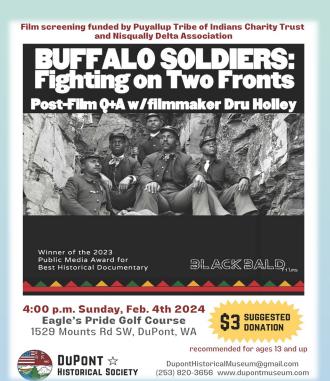


DuPont Historical Museum

Museum Valentine event

Stop by the DuPont Historical Museum on February 10th from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. for some Valentine's Day fun. Create your very own Valentines' card for that special someone in your life. Supplies and treats will be provided at no cost. Please RSVP by leaving a message at (253) 820-3656 to help us plan accordingly.





Buffalo Soldiers Film Screening at the DuPont Historical Museum

The documentary film "Buffalo Soldiers: Fighting on Two Fronts" will be shown at Eagle's Pride Golf Course and followed by Q&A with filmmaker Dru Holley. "In 1866, six all-Black cavalry and infantry regiments were created after Congress passed the Army Organization Act. They came to be known as Buffalo Soldiers. The film explores the often contradictory role played by the Buffalo Soldiers throughout American history, with particular emphasis on the settling of the American West."

The film won the 2023 Public Media Award for Best Historical Documentary. The event is funded with grants from the Puyallup Tribe of Indians Charity Trust and the Nisqually Delta Association.

Recommended for ages 13 and up. duponthistoricalmuseum@gmail.com or (253) 820-3656

Sunday, Feb. 4th 4:00 p.m.

2024 Cherry Blossom Tea

The annual Cherry Blossom Tea put on by the DuPont Historical Society will be held at Eagle's Pride. This year's theme is "Stitches in Time" where we will explore the history of quilting. The guest speaker will be quilt historian Phyllis Beaver who will have a few of her own quilts on display.

Join the Historical Society on **Saturday, March 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.** for a wonderful afternoon of tea and hors d'oeuvres.

This event is sponsored by CalPortland.

Tickets on sale now. For ticket sales or more information contact duponthistoricalmuseum@gmail.com or (253) 459-4339.

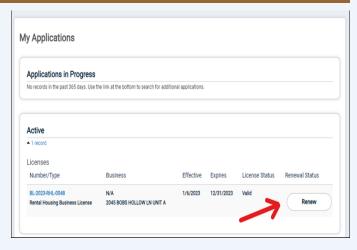
Eagles Pride Golf Course -1529 Mounts Rd SW, DuPont, WA 98327



Public Services

2024 License Renewal Information:

Rental housing business licenses for the City of DuPont need to be renewed for 2024. Licenses are renewed through our online portal, SmartGov: https://ci-dupont-wa.smartgovcommunity.com/Public/Home. Renewing is easy! Existing license holders can simply login to their SmartGov account and click the **Renew** button in the **My Applications** section. Renewals are due by January 31, 2024, so be sure to submit them soon to avoid late fees. We also recommend you add noreply@smartgovcommunity.com to your safe senders list and check your junk email folders.



SmartGov:

Are you looking to access SmartGov? Please visit the City's website, click on "How Do I..?" and "Access SmartGov". This will take you right to the portal.



Fall/Winter cleanup is slightly behind schedule, and with the recent winter storm additional leaves and tree limbs have been scattered throughout the city. Measures are in the works with BrightView to continue to get to areas hard hit by the storm and get the debris/limbs removed. Public Services staff is working hard to get it under control, but the freezing rain has added to the difficulty, and they are working through it. Thank you for your patience!

Did you know?... that development project materials are posted on the city's website to assist in staying informed and engaged of a new project or an ongoing project?

When an applicant submits project materials, these are placed on the City's website and can be located on the Planning Services page under Community Development: https://www.dupontwa.gov/139/Active-Development-Projects

Engineering update for on going projects:

- The City awarded the construction contract for the PFAS Treatment Facilities to McClure and Sons, Inc. for a total amount of \$7,301,440. Mobilization and utilities work at Hoffman Hills project site is in progress, and the project completion date is expected in late 2024.
- Center Drive Pavement Overlay Phase 6 project was completed in December 2023.
- HSIP "Highway Safety Improvement Program"- the City secured a Federal Grant for a total amount of \$539,000 for traffic and pedestrian safety improvements. WSDOT is currently reviewing the RFP.

Public Services

Public Works Utilities & Operations update:

The PW Utilities & Operations Department is amid many accomplishments, but snow and ice are at the forefront.

Snow and Ice Operations:

Pre-Ice & Snow Event Preventative Action: Starts when crews apply a salt-brine solution to hills and primary access routes as a preventative measure to limit potential for ice to form and snow to stick on roads. Snowplowing starts on primary routes/hills when two or more inches of snow accumulate to minimize ice formation.

Ice Control: Sanding begins when icy conditions warrant application of traction assistance to the road surface. Sand/granular ice melt is generally applied only on hills, near intersections, or where requested by police to address specific problem areas. When a snow or ice event is in the forecast, and conditions allow, crews apply a salt-brine solution to hills and primary access routes as a preventative measure to limit the potential for ice to form on roads. Snowplowing starts on primary routes/hills when two or more inches of snow accumulate to minimize ice formation.

Snow Control: Public Works crews will focus on clearing snow from priority roads first, which include our main arterials, bus routes, designated emergency routes, and hills/steep slopes. We try to have all roads cleared as quickly as possible; however, the time required to address all primary and secondary routes will depend on the intensity of a given snowstorm event and how much snow or ice accumulates on the roadways. Crews are scheduled or called in to respond to a snowstorm event. All available trucks are put to work during adverse weather conditions.

More Info: Snow-Removal-Info--Map (dupontwa.gov) Dupont Snow Plow (youtube.com)

Different Snowplow Cutting Edge:

Larry Clark, Public Works Supervisor for Utilities and Operations, would like to announce that he has a plan to implement (test) a different kind of snowplow cutting edge that should give crews the ability to cut through compacted snow and ice that they have struggled with in recent decades. He believes that if the results of the experimental cutting blades are as good as he expects, the difference in removal of compacted snow and ice should be noticeable to anyone driving city streets compared to previous years.

Stay tuned for future updates....







AUGUST 2023

I-5 - Mounts Rd. to Steilacoom-DuPont Rd. Corridor Improvements

Beginning in late summer 2023, contractor crews working for the Washington State Department of Transportation will begin construction on Interstate 5 in DuPont near Joint Base Lewis-McChord. This is the third in a series of projects that widens I-5 to add HOV lanes between DuPont and Lakewood.

Improvements coming to DuPont and JBLM

In addition to extending the I-5 HOV lanes, construction crews will make improvements that enhance mobility and safety in DuPont and near the JBLM DuPont Gate at exit 119, including:

- A new bridge spanning I-5 and the railroad.
 The new bridge will feature a partial Diverging Diamond Interchange and a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists between JBLM and DuPont.
- Direct access between JBLM and both directions of I-5
- A new roundabout connecting Steilacoom-DuPont Road and the new overpass.

The project will also add a new signal at the intersection of the southbound I-5 off-ramp at Mounts Road (exit 116) and improve the I-5 vertical clearance over Pendleton Avenue.

What you can expect

Construction will begin in summer 2023 and is expected to be complete in 2026. The project consists of multiple stages that involve overnight and weekend ramp closures, lane shifts onto temporary pavement, potential speed limit reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian detours. Crews will contain dust and debris to the construction site and will intimize noise as much

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The project extends HOV lanes in both directions into DuPont.

Stay connected

Follow us on Twitter @WSDOT_Tacoma

Check out our Facebook page: facebook.com/WSDOT

Project hotline: 206-467-2171

Scan the QR code or visit: wsdot. wa.gov/construction-planning/ search-projects/i-5-mounts-rdsteilacoom-dupont-rd-corridorimprovements



For updated weekly ramp and lane

closure schedules, visit: wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/

as practical. Clear signage will indicate required detours throughout the project.

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Information: This material can be made available in an alternate format by emailing the Office of Equity and Civil Rights at wsdotada@wsdot. wa.gov or by calling toll free, 855-362-4ADA(4232). Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may make a request by calling the Washington State Relay at 711.

Title VI Notice to Public: It is the Washington State Department of Transportation's (WSDOT) policy to assure that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, as provided by Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise discriminated against under any of its programs and activities. Any person who believes his/her Title VI protection has been violated, may file a complaint with WSDOT's Office of Equity and Civil Rights (OECR). For additional information regarding Title VI complaint procedures and/or information regarding our non-discrimination obligations, please contact OECR's Title VI Coordinator at (360) 705-7090. 23-08-0293

WSDOT: I-5 Mounts Rd to Steilacoom-DuPont Road Corridor Improvements outreach links:

Online open house:

https://engage.wsdot.wa.gov/i-5-mounts-to-steilacoom-dupont-rd/

WSDOT Blog:

https://wsdotblog.blogspot.com/2023/09/i-5-hov-dupont-jblm.html

YouTube:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IIDRY3j6DNI&t=1s

The WSDOT Facebook page also has a post linking the blog and online open house:

https://www.facebook.com/WSDOT/





A Waste Connections Company

YOUR YARD WASTE PICK UP SCHEDULE HAS CHANGED

Effective Monday, February 5th your yard waste will be serviced on MONDAYS opposite from the recycling service day. The collection schedule for recycling and garbage will remain the same, but please remember to place all items out by 6AM to ensure service.

Below is the new yard waste schedule for the City of DuPont:

Monday, February 5th - garbage and yard waste service Monday, February 12th - garbage and recycling service Monday, February 19th - garbage and yard waste service Monday, February 26th - garbage and recycling service

Recycling and yard waste service will continue to alternate each week moving forward.

QUESTIONS?

Contact us at Cust2180@wasteconnections.com | 253.875.5053

or visit us at www.lemaypiercecountyrefuse.com

We appreciate and value your business! Waste Connections-Customer Service Department



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IMPORTANT ROUTE CHANGE INFORMATION ON BACK SIDE!



DuPont Fire Department

Response Information: The table below shows general responses. Details, if needed, are listed to better explain the response. The yellow highlighted areas in the "Current" column are statistics from the past week and the "Year" statistics include all responses since January 1st of this year. Please note the weekly figures are based off raw data.



(Category) Description	Details	Current	Year
(10) Fire, other			0
(11) Structure Fire			1
(13) Mobile property (vehicle) fire			0
(14) Natural vegetation fire			0
(15) Outside rubbish fire			0
(25) Excessive heat, scorch burns with no ignition			0
(30) Rescue, emergency medical call (EMS), other			0
(31) Medical assist			0
(32.1) Emergency medical service (EMS) incident		12	20
(32.2) Motor vehicle accident with injuries			13
(33) Lock-In			1
(35) Extrication, rescue			0
(36) Water or ice-related rescue			0
(40) Flammable gas or liquid condition, other			0
(41) Combustible/flammable spills & leaks			0
(42) Chemical Release, reaction or toxic condition			0
(44) Electrical wiring/equipment problem			0
(50) Service call, other		3	4
(51) Person in distress			0
(52) Water Problem		10	18
(53) Smoke, odor proble6			0
(54) Animal problem or rescue			0
(55) Public service assistance		1	3
(56) Unauthorized burning			0
(60) Good intent call, other			0
(61) Dispatched and canceled en route			1
(62) Wrong location, no emergency found			0
(65) Steam, other gas mistaken for smoke			0
(66) EMS call-transported by non-fire agency			0
(70) False alarm and false call, other			0
(71) Malicious, mischievous false alarm			0
(73) System or detector malfunction		2	7
(74) Unintentional system/detector operation (no fire)			2
(91) Citizen complaint			0
Unknown			0
TOTALS		28	70

Transport	Current	Year
Allenmore		0
Madigan	6	11
Mary Bridge		1
St. Clare	3	9
St. Joseph	1	2
St. Peters		0
Tacoma General		0
TOTAL	10	23

ALS	5	17
BLS	7	16

Calls by time of day (8-hr blocks):		
0000-0759	4	14
0800-1649	17	37
1700-2359	7	19
TOTAL	28	70

Calls by day of the week:		
Sunday	3	18
Monday	8	13
Tuesday	4	11
Wednesday	6	9
Thursday	4	7
Friday	1	6
Saturday	2	6
TOTAL	28	70

Mutual Aid / Multiple Calls:		
DPF Received	1	3
DPF Provided	0	0
Multiple Calls	5	14

Safety Message - Carbon Monoxide Safety

Often called the invisible killer, carbon monoxide is an invisible odorless, colorless gas created when fuels (such as gasoline, wood, coal, natural gas, propane, oil, and methane) burn incompletely. In the home, heating and cooking equipment that burn fuel can be sources of carbon monoxide.

- CO alarms should be installed in a central location outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home and in other locations where
 required by applicable laws, codes or standards. For the best protection, interconnect all CO alarms throughout the home. When one sounds they
 all sound.
- Follow the manufacturer's instructions for placement and mounting height.
- Choose a CO alarm that is listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- Call your local fire department's non-emergency number to find out what number to call if the CO alarm sounds.
- Test CO alarms at least once a month; replace them according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- If the audible trouble signal sounds check for low batteries. If the battery is low, replace it. If it still sounds, call the fire department.
- If the CO alarm sounds, immediately move to a fresh air location outdoors or by an open window or door. Make sure everyone inside the home is accounted for. Call for help from a fresh air location and stay there until emergency personnel declare that it is safe to re-enter the home.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do no run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.
- During and after a snowstorm, make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove, and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.
- A generator should be used in a well-ventilated location outdoors away from windows, doors and vent openings.
- Gas or charcoal grills can produce CO only use outside.



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Safety Message—Carbon Monoxide Safety Continued.....





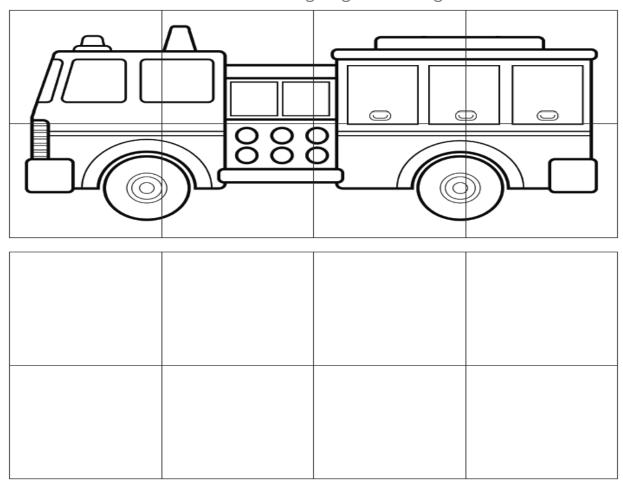
Have fuel-burning heating equipment and chimneys inspected by a professional every year before cold weather sets in. When using a fireplace, open the flue for adequate ventilation. Never use your oven to heat your home.

FACTS

- (1) A person can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a longer period of time or by a large amount of CO over a shorter amount of time.
- 1 In 2010, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 nonfire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine calls per hour.

Fire Truck Art

Draw the fire truck using the grid lines as a guide.







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KIDS!!

For more fun learning activities, videos, and games

Please visit: https://sparky.org/activities



DuPont Police Department



Weekly Activity Report

Duty * Professionalism * Dedication



Total Calls for Service 1/15/24 – 1/21/24: 182 Average per day: 26

The "Total Calls for Service" statistic above includes, but is not limited to, the following incidents:

EMERGENCY & PATROL INCIDENTS

- 06 Agency Assists
- 01 Animal Cruelty Complaint (under investigation)
- 04 Civil Issue
- 05 Community Oriented Policing
- 01 Motor Vehicle Collision
- 04 Subject Stop
- 42 Traffic Stops
- 01 Traffic Complaint
- 02 Unwanted Person/Loiterer
- 01 Stolen Vehicle Recovery

PROPERTY & OTHER CRIMES

- 01 Commercial Burglary
- 01 Motor Vehicle Collision/Hit & Run
- 04 Theft from Vehicles
- 01 Theft

ARRESTS/REFERRALS

01 Animal Cruelty - Referred to Animal Control



DEPARTMENT NEWS

- DuPont officers greeted students, parents, and staff at the local schools.
- Speed emphases were conducted throughout the city.
- Officers completed online training.

REPORTING AN INCIDENT? NEED AN OFFICER?

- To report an emergency, dial 9-1-1
- To report a non-emergency, dial (253) 287-4455
- If you aren't sure, let us help you by dialing (253) 964-7060 If you have non-urgent questions, suggestions, want to file a complaint or commend a D.P.D. staff member, we appreciate the opportunity to assist you. You may reach us via email at Police@dupontwa.gov or by telephone at (253) 964-7060.

DOWNLOAD THE DUPONT POLICE APP TODAY!







City Council and Calendars

January 23, 2024 Regular Council Meeting overview:

New Business:

 Ordinance regarding amendments to DMC Chapter 17.02 to comply with ESHB1329 was approved.

Study Session:

- Service Warranty
- Fireworks Discussion
- WUI Code Update
- Councilmember Committee Assignments

Helpful Meeting Links:

- City of DuPont Meetings can be watched live or later at: City's YouTube channel: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI-nrLK1wNfpq3 CeNJw40A).
- Regular Council Meetings can be watched live or later at the City's YouTube channel and/or at: Pierce County TV (https://www.piercecountytv.org/1306/DuPont-Live-Meetings).
- Agendas, once published, are officially posted on the bulletin board at City Hall and available at the following link: https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/777/.
- ♦ Minutes, after they are passed, are available at: https://dupont.civicweb.net/filepro/documents/7/.

Regular City Council meetings begin at 6:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.

Published agendas can be found on the website's homepage; click on the meeting date on the City of DuPont Calendar and then "**Download Agenda**".



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Date	Time	UPCOMING MEETINGS
1/29/2024	6:00 PM	Parks Commission Special Meeting
1/31/2024	Noon - 2:00 PM	City Hall will be closed for staff training
2/5/2024	6:00 PM	Parks Commission Meeting
2/12/2024	5:00 PM	Tree Advisory Commission Meeting
2/12/2024	6:30 PM	Planning Commission Meeting
2/13/2024	11:00 AM	Civil Service Commission
2/13/2024	6:00 PM	City Council Meeting
2/19/2024		City Hall CLOSED

Date	ACTIVITIES - SAVE THE DATE!	Location/Information
1/27/2024	Nature Photography Class - Part 2	https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes
1/27/2024	People Photography Class - Part 2	https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes
2/3/2024	Nature & People Photography Class Field Trip	https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes
2/4/2024	Film Screening of Buffalo Soldiers: Fighting on Two Fronts	DuPont History Museum Events (dupontmuseum.com)
2/10/2024	Nature Photography Class - Part 3	https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes
2/10/2024	People Photography Class - Part 3	https://www.dupontwa.gov/547/Classes
3/9/2024	Cherry Blossom Tea	<u>DuPont History Museum Events (dupontmuseum.com)</u>

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